## Surgical Safety Checklist

### Before induction of anaesthesia

- **Has the patient confirmed his/her identity, site, procedure, and consent?**
  - [ ] Yes
  - [ ] Not applicable

- **Is the site marked?**
  - [ ] Yes
  - [ ] No

- **Is the anaesthesia machine and medication check complete?**
  - [ ] Yes

- **Is the pulse oximeter on the patient and functioning?**
  - [ ] Yes

- **Does the patient have a:**
  - **Known allergy?**
    - [ ] No
    - [ ] Yes
  - **Difficult airway or aspiration risk?**
    - [ ] No
    - [ ] Yes, and equipment/assistance available
  - **Risk of >500ml blood loss (7ml/kg in children)?**
    - [ ] No
    - [ ] Yes, and two IVs/central access and fluids planned

### Before skin incision

- **Confirm all team members have introduced themselves by name and role.**

- **Confirm the patient’s name, procedure, and where the incision will be made.**

- **Has antibiotic prophylaxis been given within the last 60 minutes?**
  - [ ] Yes
  - [ ] Not applicable

### Anticipated Critical Events

- **To Surgeon:**
  - [ ] What are the critical or non-routine steps?
  - [ ] How long will the case take?
  - [ ] What is the anticipated blood loss?

- **To Anaesthetist:**
  - [ ] Are there any patient-specific concerns?

- **To Nursing Team:**
  - [ ] Has sterility (including indicator results) been confirmed?
  - [ ] Are there equipment issues or any concerns?

- **Is essential imaging displayed?**
  - [ ] Yes
  - [ ] Not applicable

### Before patient leaves operating room

- **[ ] Nurse Verbally Confirms:**
  - The name of the procedure
  - Completion of instrument, sponge and needle counts
  - Specimen labelling (read specimen labels aloud, including patient name)
  - Whether there are any equipment problems to be addressed

- **To Surgeon, Anaesthetist and Nurse:**
  - [ ] What are the key concerns for recovery and management of this patient?

### Notes:

- **Patient Name:**

- **Age:** M or F

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